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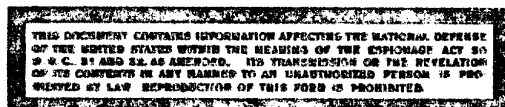
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1. In July 1952 Polish workers were building two bridges over the Notec River at Ujscie (P54/S03), a town south of Pila (Schneidemuehl - P54/R94). The bridges were being constructed at a point near the confluence of the Notec and Glda Rivers. The bridges were to be of reinforced concrete and were to be 16 meters wide. In constructing the bridges small holes were left at strategic spots so that demolition charges could be inserted to blow up the bridges, should the need ever arise.
2. In July 1952 the piles for the bridges had been finished, and the construction plan called for the bridges to be finished by December 1952. The road from Ujscie to Pila was also made wider. In July approximately 300 workers were employed at each of the bridges, and more were expected.
3. Engineer (fnu) Kostrzewski, a resident of Poznan, was in charge of the construction of the bridges. He was directly responsible to an unidentified Russian commission.
4. About five or six kilometers from Ujscie, just off the road to Pila in a place where the forest extends to banks of the Glda River, Polish laborers under the supervision of Russians were constructing a bridge. As of July 1952 there was no road servicing this area. The bridge was being constructed of reinforced concrete, and it was to be 16 meters wide. This bridge too was being so constructed that it could be demolished if necessary. Workers employed in the construction of the bridge lived in barracks in the wooded area. It is believed that the bridge will be used to connect the main highway from Moscow to Berlin via Warsaw.

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